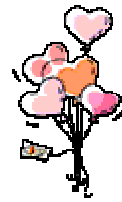


# FAMILY FOCUS



Especially for families and friends of deployed soldiers, information, events, and programs brought to you by Tobyhanna Army Depot Army Community Service.

## **TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT ACS** **Mobilization and Deployment Support Program Overview:**

During mobilization, deployment, contingency operations, and in emergencies (mass casualties, evacuation, and natural disaster), Mobilization and Deployment Support (MDS) provides services during all phases of deployment to military members and eligible family members at or as near to their hometown or home instillation as possible.

The MDS program assists deployable military members and DoD civilian employees and their families as well as Reserve and National Guard components within a 50-mile radius of Tobyhanna Army Depot.

MDS services include:

- Readiness briefings and workshops on issues and steps to consider when preparing for deployment using Operation R.E.A.D.Y and supplemental materials.
- Support and assistance to commanders in establishing Family Readiness Groups.
- Assistance to single parents and dual military couple in developing family care plans.
- Coordination with local and state human service agencies to facilitate efficient response and cooperation with these organizations in support of families of mobilizing soldiers and units.
- Identification of families with special needs that may require individual assistance and support.

If you have any questions regarding these services contact Sonya Walls @ 570-895-6682 or e-mail Sonya.Walls@tobyhanna.army.mil

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## **ARMY FAMILY TEAM BUILDING**



Army Family Team Building Classes are now in session. We are holding our first classes on Tuesday February 10, 2004 from 1000-1200 and then from 1830-2000 at the Army Community Service conference room. Our first class will be from Level 1, Military Terms, Acronyms, Customs, and Courtesies, and the Chain of Command the Chain of Concern. This is just the beginning of classes being offered, so be on the lookout for future class scheduling! If you need childcare for the am classes you must be a registered volunteer with ACS. Please check with our Instillation Volunteer Coordinator for more information, at 570-895-8887.

*Please note: There is currently, no childcare available for pm classes.*